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Today, more than ever, we are faced with a number of challenges. Challenges make us lose focus on the things we should do to take care of ourselves and our families.

In these times where we have to make decisions about the amount of gas we put in our cars, how to stretch our grocery dollars, or if we should take that much needed vacation to relieve a bit of stress, it is important for us to remember to make decisions that will help keep us healthy.

One of the easiest and most beneficial decisions you can make every day is to walk. Walking helps to:

- improve energy levels
- manage weight
- reduce stress and
- reduce the risk for heart disease, diabetes, some cancers, stroke and high blood pressure.

This year, make walking a habit. Gather your family and friends, and take this small step toward big health rewards.

From the DHEC Office of Minority Health staff, we wish you and yours a healthy new year.

Shauna P. Hicks, MHS, CHES Director, Office of Minority Health

Remember to talk with your health care provider before starting any new exercise program.







It's Your Wealth... Take Charge!

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| # Steps 18 | # Steps 19 Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Observed | # Steps 20 | # Steps 21 | # Steps 22 | # Steps 23 | # Steps 24 |
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FEBRUARY 2009

BLACK HISTORY MONTH AMERICAN HEART MONTH NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

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| # Steps 15 | # Steps 16 | # Steps 17 | # Steps 18 | # Steps 19 | # Steps 20 Spring begins | # Steps 21 |
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| # Steps 21 Father's day/Summer begins | # Steps 22 | # Steps 23 | # Steps 24 | # Steps 25 | # Steps 26 | # Steps 27 National HIV Testing Day |
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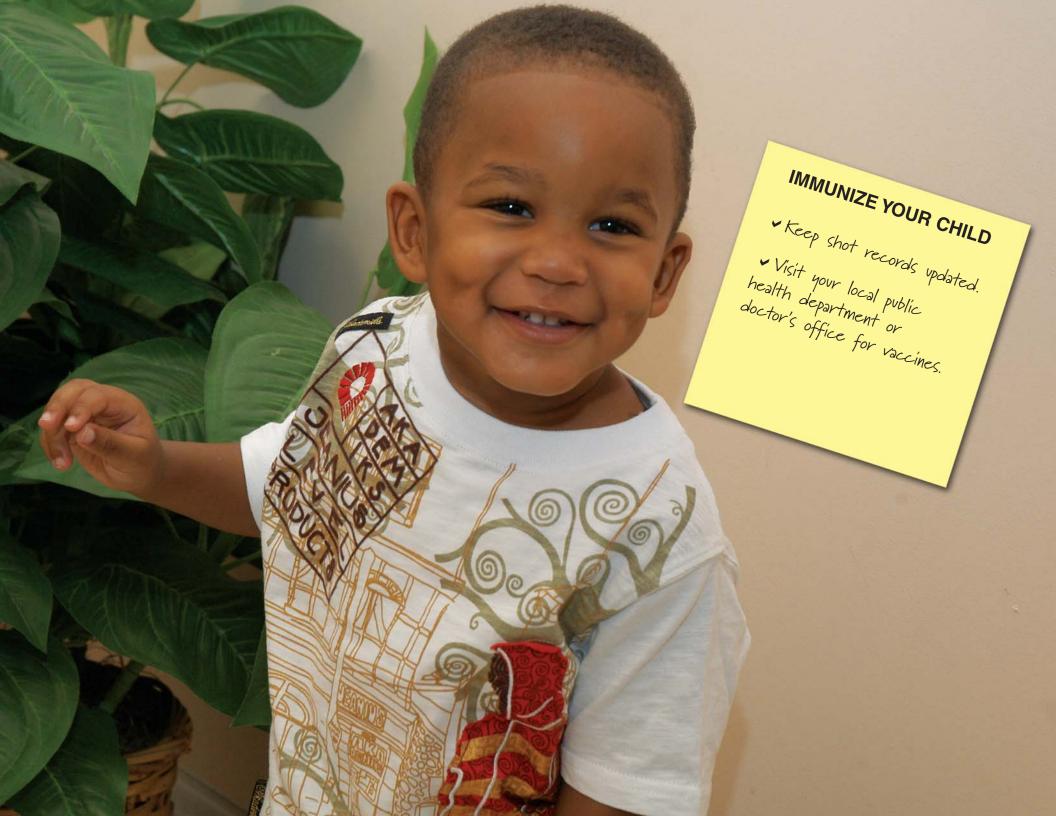


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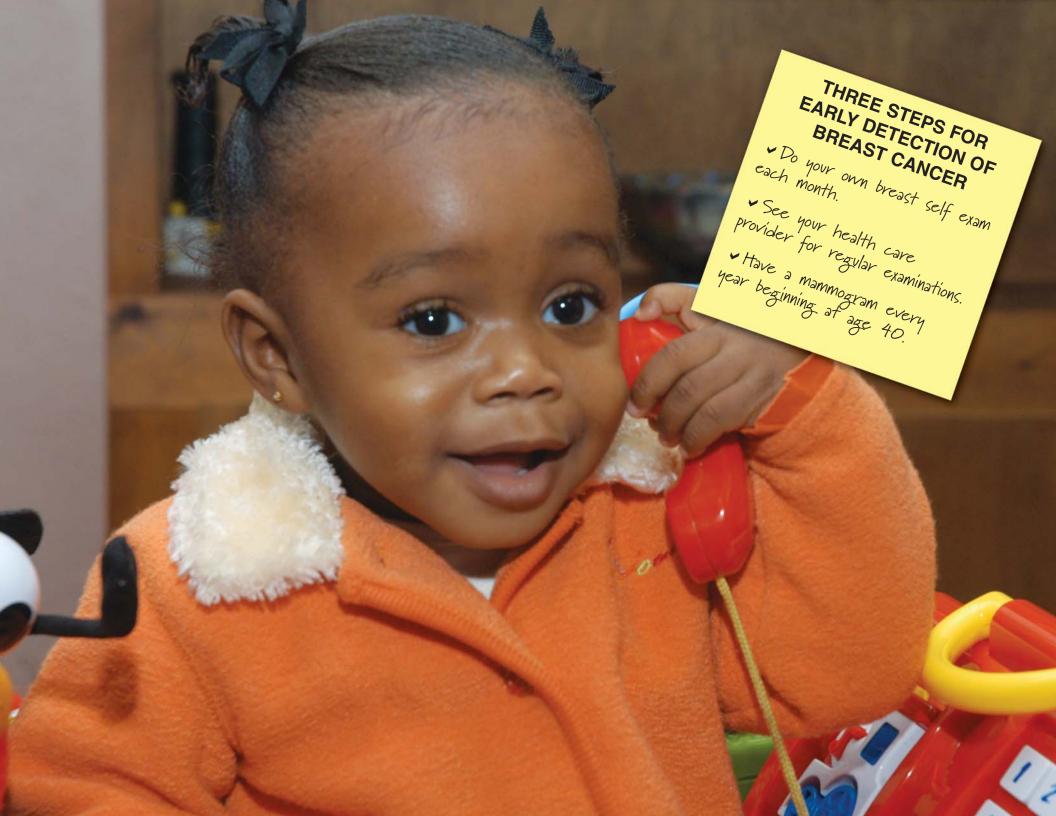
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